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### IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please delete the first paragraph on page 1.

Insert the following paragraph on a new line after the title:

This application is a § 371 application of PCT/EP03/012112, which claims priority from DE 198 57 710 A 1.

First paragraph, following the title:

#### BACKGROUND

The invention relates to a device for supplying a hydraulic medium to a drive element rotatably mounted in a transmission case, as claimed in the preamble of claim 1.

Insert the following on a new line before the first full paragraph of page 5:

#### SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Last full paragraph of page 1 to paragraph bridging pages 1 and 2:

This object is achieved as claimed in the invention with the characteristics specified in claim 1.

Advantageous developments of the invention are cited in the other patent claims.

As claimed in the invention, it is proposed that the The drive element of the invention is nonrotatably connected to the other element and that the contact connection is at least one unthreaded conduit which is inserted tightly into the two channels and which extends directly from the element to the drive element. At least one unthreaded conduit turns with the element which supplies the hydraulic medium; shaft bores can accordingly be omitted. Furthermore, at least one unthreaded conduit forms a connection which to a limited degree allows universal movements and axial compensation between the drive element and the other element; this results in supply of the hydraulic medium to the drive element which is reliable even with unfavorable tolerance pairings and operating conditions (temperature, load) or axial slip. Another major advantage is that if necessary the supplying

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element can be a component of the transmission which also performs other functions (for example, routing the hydraulic medium through a coaxially adjacent gear which turns with the drive element).

Page 4, first and second full paragraphs:

One embodiment of the invention will be described in detail below.

## BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

The attached schematic <u>figure</u> shows in a longitudinal section a device for hydraulic supply of the driven pulley set of a continuously variable transmission for a motor vehicle.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION